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ABSTRACT

A memory module architecture that supports Flash and static memory devices in addition to dynamic memory devices. The module architecture of the present invention preferably redefines standard application of chip select signals on existing module architectures to provide requisite signaling to support Flash and static RAM devices. Use of serial presence detect signaling features of standard memory modules is also modified to provide desired identity and parameters of such an enhanced module. Extending the range of supported memory devices in an otherwise standard memory module reduces the need for special designs to accommodate different and evolving types of memory and is therefore particularly applicable to embedded systems where a variety of memory types are often utilized. A further aspect of the present invention provides for a support structure to immobilize the loose edge of the memory module opposite the electrical edge connector of the module to further enhance the module's resistance to vibration and mechanical shock by immobilizing the module with respect to rotation about the key in the socket connector.